

REMARKS

Applicant hereby files a Request for Continued Examination to address a Final Office Action mailed December 20, 2007 (hereinafter "Office Action"). In the Office Action objections were made to the declarations filed. In particular, the prior Declarations were held invalid because the date of the relevant amendment was missing. Applicant has obtained new declarations that include the date of the amendment (the amendment being the last response that amended the claims) and submits the new declarations herewith.

In addition, Applicant has also obtained from each of the three inventors on the present application signed declarations indicating that they are inventors on US Patent 6,622,720, and that the omission of Jaan Noolandi and Robert Sprague was made through error without deceptive intent. If Examiner wishes to review those declarations, Applicant requests that Examiner contact the undersigned. Applicant intends to file a request for a Certificate of Correction within the next week to correct the inventorship of U.S. Patent 6,622,720, thus removing the premise upon which these rejections have been made.

In the event that the above declarations and actions do not make this case allowable, Applicant hereby respectfully requests an Examiner interview before further action on the case.

In view of the preceding amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims as amended are allowable over the cited prior art reference, and allowance is hereby respectfully requested.

The undersigned Xerox Corporation attorney (or agent) hereby authorizes the charging of any necessary fees, other than the issue fee, to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. 24-0025. This also constitutes a request for any needed extension of time and authorization to charge all fees therefor to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. 24-0025.

In the event that the Examiner believes a teleconference would facilitate prosecution, Applicant respectfully requests that Examiner contact the undersigned at (714) 565-1158.

Respectfully submitted,

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